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Dear Mr. Latta:

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I am replying to your letter of November 16, in which you enclosed correspondence from a constituent, Professor Larry J. Curtis, who is concerned about the fate of Raoul Wallenberg.

We share Professor Curtis's concern about the fate of this courageous man and we lose no opportunity to make our interest in his case known to Soviet representatives. Mr. Wallenberg's case has been raised a number of times in the last four months during our bilateral meetings on human rights issues. The Soviets have not to date responded satisfactorily to our inquiries. We will continue to press them to give a fuller accounting of the circumstances surrounding Mr. Wallenberg's disappearance. As President Reagan said in a statement commemorating the fortieth anniversary of Mr. Wallenberg's disappearance, the Soviet Union "has a moral obligation to answer the questions we have about his fate."

State Department representatives recently discussed new developments in the case with Mr. Wallenberg's brother, Dr. Guy von Dardel, during a series of meetings here in Washington. We assured Dr. von Dardel of our continued interest in the Wallenberg case and asked him to keep us apprised of any new reports about Mr. Wallenberg's whereabouts.

In closing, let me assure you that we have not forgotten Raoul Wallenberg. We will continue to use every available means to work on his behalf.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

J. Edward Fox
Assistant Secretary
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The Honorable
Delbert L. Latta,
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